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Title:

EMBRYONIC OR STEM-LIKE CELL LINES PRODUCED BY CROSS SPECIES NUCLEAR TRANSPLANTATION AND METHODS FOR ENHANCING EMBRYONIC DEVELOPMENT BY GENETIC ALTERATION OF DONOR CELLS OR BY TISSUE CULTURE

CONDITIONS

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR L6(d):

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Mailstop Restriction P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 22, 2005. Without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group II (claims 1-2, 16, and 32-45) with traverse for prosecution in the instant application.

Applicants submit that it would not be unduly burdensome, in the least, to search Group I in addition to Group II. A search of methods of producing modified embryonic or stem-like cells is likely to uncover prior art concerning methods of producing unmodified embryonic or stem-like cells (Group I claims). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to recombine and examine Group I and Group II claims.

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Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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